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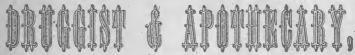
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To Woman I would worthy tribute bring; In her behalf this lowly lay I sing; Creation's master-piece by all confessed, The pride and crowning glory of the rest! For when appeared at God's supreme command, The teaming ocean, and wide-spreading land,

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Ye gentle maids, whose dainty hands the soil
Ne'er touched, of lowly ill-regulated toil,
Of soul unburdened yet by carking care,
Whose daily problem is what dress to wear;
What ribbons, frills, and jewels shall adorn
Each part, at eve, noon, midnight, and at morn;
For moonlight walk, flirtation, concert, ball,
Through pleasure's airy round perpetual;
Ye girls that flirt life's golden time away,
Transforming day to night, and night to day,

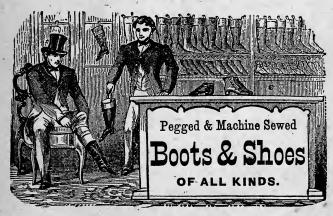
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Lamenting fancied wrongs imposed by man,
Proclaiming woman's sphere is narrow, tame,
With restless yearnings after manly fame—
Why not behold (determined to be blind)
That woman is the mother of mankind,
And that in home a woman's duty lies,
To soothe the griefs and ills that may arise,
To make all happy with her smile of bliss,
And stop the rising passion with a kiss;
To guard the treasures of the hearth with loving care,
Or place for welcome guest the welcome chair.

Mother! dear name! worthy more honor far
Than royal power, State-craft, skill in war;
Appointed source of nations yet to be,
For nations thrive by thy maternity:
Earth's titled ones have nestled in thy arms,
Thy gentle smile hath banished rude alarms,
And men of might, whom war's dread shock defy,
Once soothed their fear by thy soft lullaby.
Thy influence vast hath been in camp and court,
And though for thee have bloody wars been fought,
Thy timid limbs have trod the field of battle
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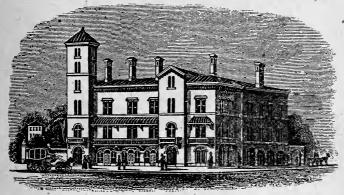
The sage with brain well stocked with various lore, Acquired above, below, on sea or shore, Who holds converse with Nature and her laws. Is fired to struggle by the world's applause; But thy praise waked his genius when a boy, A quenchless flame that death cannot destroy. But sage though he may be, the savan loves; Oft scattered are his thoughts by dainty gloves That gently press his hand, and make him feel The current of his blood cannot congeal; Discover that his themes, however grand, Are less now to him than that little hand. Universal nature! thy laws are ever true, And every man shall love and oft shall rue, But rue however oft he may, or at what pain, His weakness't is to rue, and rue and rue again. The blooming girl adorned with rarest grace, Whose queenly form, light step and comely face, Excite the wonder of the passer-by, And kindle angry fires in Envy's eye, In hopeful lovers raising direct fears, And getting swains "together by the ears," Has snatched the glory of thy form and face Contagious, and sighing for thy fond embrace, Pillowed her baby head on thy warm breast, And fearing naught, was lulled to nightly rest.

Ye dames whose souls with high ambition glow, Who loud proclaim that woman's lot is low;

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Would woman make a lawyer or a judge?
Or only fit is she for household drudge?
A woman, true, might do for special pleader,
Or to write novels in the specious style of "Quida."
But think of lovely maids and musty deeds,
Or woman listening to a client's greeds,
Or maids applying for a habeas corpus,
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Some say they should our doctors be,
And some have made this calling their especialty.
Lets's hope they'll thrive, and for our lesser ills
Give kisses in the place of nauseous pills,
Arouse the sinking pulse, the heart inspire,
Or "wake to ecstasy the living lyre,"
Suppress with unctious balm dread agony's cries,
Or end the fellow's pain, and close his eyes.

Preachers say you? Yes, woman fair can preach And often does to those within her reach.

Not pulpits would I wish her to ascend,
Her church is home; hers the young twig to bend;
Her garb is not the garb canonical,
Hers not the didactic, nor ironical;
Hers is the garb of beauty, not austerity,
Hers the voice of love, not stern asperity.

Woman is man's helpmate, not his guide, Should be his love, his glory, and his pride; But these she cannot, if she aims to reign Co-equal with him in his own domain.

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Ambition—craning forth attenuated neck, Or fame, subservient to the public beck, Or restless inactivity, a vague desire to do, Or move, or push, or mischief make, or view, One knows not what, nor in what guise—May deprecate home comforts, or despise The hand that made them; but woman true There never breathed, 'twixt I and you, Who did not see at home an ample store Of honorable duties; nay, sometimes, more.

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Who can foretell what this great power will do, Whose secret haunt, we likely ne'er shall know; Some say, earth's centre is unceasing fire, That's ever rising higher up and higher, Will sure in time consume this beauteous world, Which will, like falling stars, in space be hurled. It may be so. I shall not live till then, Nor would I see the last of earthly men. Somewhat less corruption in great places, Less duplicity, fewer double faces, More safety in financial operations, More "helps" who know the duty of their stations, Lawyers, who'd not truth betray for fees, A time when plunder of the weak should cease, No more of steamboat nor of rail collisions, No more reversals of the Federal courts' decisions. Judges who should be above a bribe, And of unfriendly Indians ne'er a tribe; Newspapers that would learn to tell the truth, No Wackford Squeers to take the charge of youth,

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Until they are and matters change, we must perforce conclude,

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If cubic feet of bulk the standard be,
Then she must yield to man, 'tis plain to see,
Though we're informed by those well skilled in brains,
'Tis not the bulk, but what the bulk contains,
That is the measure of the man. A choice,
Most easy is 'twixt man's and woman's voice;
The deep resounding base was his of old,
The mellow treble hers, unless a scold.
But battle waxing hot 'twixt man and wife,
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The question of superiority, Cannot be fixed by man's authority; In days like these, of steam and telegraph, To quote from Genesis excites a laugh; Or else with trembling lips, and bated breath, We 'd cite what text of Holy Bible saith. 'Twas Adam first the soil of Eden trod, To walk its flowery paths, and talk with God. Two-fold dependent, out of Adam's side, God formed the lovely Eve to be his bride. The "woman in transgression was the first," By which the man, and bounteous earth were cursed, "And thy desire shall to thy husband" be, The Almighty said, and "he shall rule o'er thee." And now if Paul and Moses we compare, We'll find the agreement most complete and rare, Yet who believes the word by Heaven sent, Will be convinced by either Testament.

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Were once invested in strange swaddling clothes.
If babes must live that nations may survive,
And swarm like bees from over-crowded hive,
Who shall supply the wants of that young life,
Wardrobe and lacteal, the man or wife?
Give meaning to each look, each burdened sigh,
And soothe with smiles its oft-recurring cry?

Not the husband; he has not the power
To soothe the infant breaker of the midnight hour.
Who shall its little doll-like clothes
Put on and off; its little pinkish toes
Encase in shoes; its little curly head
Enliven with a brush; its little tiny bed
Make smooth, the curtains draw; its little hand
Enclose in tiny mits; the woman or the man?
Who appease it when it cries,
Who shall wipe its tearful eyes,
Who its sobs with lollipops e'er smother—
The gawky, callous father, or the doating mother?

'Twas foreordained by Heaven, beyond befeat, That he who toils and thrives must likewise eat;

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Of solving best these awful mysteries;
Or fairer hands their dainty skill invest,
To spread the table, and prepare the feast?
How soon he 'd burn his fingers and then swear,
The oven would n't bake, the joint was spare,
The tea was bad, there was no boiling water,
The cat ate the fish, before he caught her!

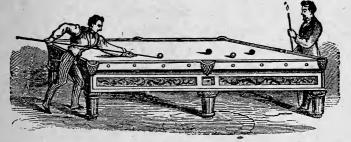
Since primal man in fig-leaves was arrayed, What varied styles the female has displayed! Of bustle, Grecian bend, dress long or short, In linens, woolens, skins, silks, homemade, bought, For babies, youths, beaux, sweethearts and the old, That ever could be thought of, bought or sold. A modern lady is a wondrous structure, 'Tis strange that she can move without a fracture, So many and extensive are her clothes, That she can scarcely stand upon her toes;-She's so fenced in with iron and with steel, 'Tis scarcely possible for her to feel. Padded, puffed up, painted, powdered, plainly, How can she help but bear herself ungainly. False hair, false teeth, false eyes, false faces, Alas! poor man, how hard thy fate is!

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The patterns, tints and ribbons without end,
Of which a lady of the times is made,
Or clothes not useful, but to be displayed?
What hand but hers achieve the dainty task
That fashion may demand, or want may ask?

Shall man be taken from the plow and hoe To learn the art to stitch, crochet, and sew? To cook and dust, and wash, and scrub, Plan out the future at the stationary tub, Or go to market and for bargains seek, Choosing the meat, the onion and the leek? To rate the milkman 'cause the milk is sour, Or the baker, for being late an hour? Female skill should the busy needle ply To deck the human form for fancy's eye. Reverse the problem, shall our daughters fair Life's coarser burdens with their brothers share, And yoke the oxen, drive the team afield, The sturdy forests fell, the sharp axe wield? Become conductors on the cars, or temporary constables.

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Her face is too pretty, her limbs are too weak;
Her strength would desert her and confidence numb,
And she would a failure unfailing become.

Domestic cares must not neglected be;
The simple question is, shall he or she
Preside the genius of the mystic arts,
Demanding cunning hands and loving hearts?
Shall Susan soil her robes with politics,
While Simon tarries home the bread to mix;
At caucus meetings bandy wordy blows
While he domestic makes the children's clothes?

The question 's not which is superior,
Or whose employment is inferior,
But this: shall old distinctions step aside,
Long sacred held, between the man and bride;
Were Paul, and Moses, Roman, Greek and Jew,
All fools, and blind; shall wisdom die with you?
Ye strong-souled pleaders for the gentle sex,
O, why contented sisters thus perplex?
Nature herself, clear-eyed, the silence breaks,
And with her multitudinous voices speaks.

The boy of six the hobby-horse prefers, But little miss claims rags and dolls as hers;

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When quarrels rage, with fists, and firm shod toes,
Well armed, he vanquishes his sturdy foes;
While she with upturned nose, and finger nails
And screams, her fiery enemies assails.

Man's greater strength confessed, great tasks demand,

But gentler toil befits a female hand; O'er land and sea for bread the man may roam, Maternal instincts seek a quiet home.

And thus by various routes 'tis made to appear,
A difference is 'twixt man's and woman's sphere.
What say you, now, my gay young bachelor,
Who think'st thyself so versed in female lore—
What do you know of women's hopes and wishes,
Think you they're fit for more than washing dishes?
"Yes! I like the girls when they are not one's sisters
(Who somehow always seem like home-made blisters,
Always pestering me to take them out
To opera, park, or picnic, ball or rout;)
I've other girls I much prefer to take;
I like the baker's pastry, not the home-made cake.
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And what say you, my married man,
For you a sound opinion surely can
Give; is woman thine equal; what's her sphere?
"Home to love and comfort, the children rear
To paths of virtue and the fear of God,
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But will ye not confess (puffed up with pride)
That woman's dearest rights are oft denied?
Your lofty looks bend low, the truth declare,
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"Her right it is to early brace the mind With sturdy thought, the golden truths to find; 'Tis pitiful to fritter life away In sentimental dreams, and vain display; The world's great want to-day oft vainly sought, Is earnest purpose, well-directed thought. From feeble mothers feeble sons arise: Thus has decreed the wisdom of the skies: Her right to roam through science unconfined; Sound learning well becomes the female mind, But love-sick novels crammed in empty pate, Can ne'er the soul refine nor mind dilate. Why should not women read the classic books. They're surely fit for something else than cooks; Man wants a helpmate in the wife to find, Yet help can only spring from a developed mind. What can the women learn from modern novels, From pictured vice in balls or else in hovels, . In hue so roseate, or disguised so thin, The mind unguarded oft invites it in, And once in, with its smiling mien, Its hateful aspect hidden and not seen, Endurance first, then pity, then embrace, In quick succession follow, and efface Whatever traits of virtue there are left. And leave the mind polluted and bereft. Who shall deny woman the toil to share, For lifting burdens of a brother's care?

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What calling she'll pursue through busy life—Whether to live a maid or die a wife,
To sweep the kitchen cobwebs, and dust disperse,
Or fame pursue in prose, or lofty verse.
If women have talent why not give it play,
E'en though it shines with but a feeble ray;
Their powers have been far too long repressed,
To burst at once the long-worn bonds of rest.

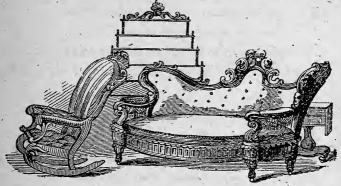
Can woman write, compose, or paint, Let her! she'll conjure no true man's complaint. Woman's tastes well fit her for the retail marts, Woman's feelings well befit esthetic arts; Here's unbounded ground that girls may fill, Soil, with profit limitless, to till; In these they may both pence and credit reap, Nor find the path to wealth or honor steep. Who dare from stormy forum rule her out; Deny her natural right to vote or spout? Alone shall Jonathan make the nation's laws. And venting twaddle, gain the crowds' applause, While Sally 's doomed, interring all her joys At home, to legislate for girls and boys? In homely tasks engaged for small and great, While husbands, sons and brothers serve the State? But why should n't she to the Congress go, And seek among the Senators a beau? More love than laws I greatly fear they'd make, And votes be gained for less than money's sake,

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Bribery then would scarcely cost so high With handsome men a tender glance would buy, And the female M. C., half a glance might muddle her And conquest e'en await strabismic Butler. The Speaker would find it most hard to decide Which was to speak next, wife, widow or bride, And wonder't would be if a man e'er was heard In such an assembly to get in a word, And whether the ladies would make all the laws And men only sit there to snicker applause; If soldiers and sailors would richly be dressed, When women the army and navy possessed, And if they expect all the men to be flats To consent, while parading, to shoulder their brats. Fancy a woman elected to be Speaker Changing the stronger vessel for the vessel weaker: Could she a just impartial rule maintain, Or would not her heart plead stronger than her brain? Fancy a woman, her nose in the clouds, Marching in section or shinning the shrouds. As soldier, or sailor, or as dustman or tailor, Her strength would desert or her confidence fail her, And down she would come not a minute too soon, From her dream in the clouds, like the cotton balloon.

Why may not woman be qualified to teach,
The sacred vestments don, and sermons preach;
The spotless ermine wear, dispense the law
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We're not ambitious to divide a hair
To fix what woman's privileges are,
Content to know that each true woman's taste,
Would prove it quickly labor run to waste.
Her body and pure instincts of the mind
Her natural sphere reveal, unless she's blind.

And now we make our earnest, closing plea, For those whom women, God ordained should be.

Ye sons, and brothers, lovers, husbands, friends,
Who manly tasks pursue for various ends,
Oh, why this modern cry of woman's wrongs
That fill the air from male and female tongues?
As muttering thunder proves the lightning's stroke,
Betrayed are hidden fires by smouldering smoke.
Thus the alarum cry from front and rear,
Of woman's voice is proof that wrongs appear;
Deny her not the rights by Heaven assigned,
Injustice dwells not in a noble mind,
Proof that you're worthy, a true woman's love
Is no mean reason for applause above.

Ye sons and daughters fair, who share the bliss Of mother's prayers, good morn, and nightly kiss, She gave you life, watched o'er your infant days, Your sorrows mourned, and mingled in your plays.

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The griefs and woes of infancy she cheered,
Sparing thee each danger that appeared;
In childhood ever aided in thy sports,
And always kept thee foremost in her thoughts?
O think what fillial love to her is due,
Who gave her strength, would give her life for you!

Hast thou a sister, loving, tender, true, Who hand in hand, and side by side with you Trips through the village lane, your pleasures share. And not less prompt her brother's griefs to bear? Pain not that gentle soul by unkind word Or act; your spirits bend in sweet accord. Has Heaven conferred a gift more dear than life. A trusting, loving, noble-hearted wife; Who years long gone, when life was new, you led To holy altar, and before Heaven wed? How fervent were the vows you promptly made! How warm the love your glowing cheeks betrayed! Stars shine less brightly in their heaven of blue. Than her eyes shone when first they gleamed on you. But years have fled since first you felt the bliss Of being one, received that wife's first kiss, She's older grown since twenty years ago, And less her cheeks display their early glow; With scowl you spy, seated in easy chair, Some silver streak in her once glorious hair;

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Her eyes have lost the fire of other days,
Her care-worn form less comeliness displays;
But dost thou love her less for these defects?
Does time take all her spoils from female sex?
'T is said that "they who in glass houses live
Should not throw stones" lest they like blow receive.
Take down thy mirror, scan the spectre well,
Pray heed its voice, a sorry tale't will tell;
Are there no crows' feet 'neath thy faded eye?
No grizzly locks thy vision can descry?
Behold the furrows on thy cheek and brow;
Thy form so sprightly then, is drooping now;
Thy voice once clear, as tales of love were told,
Is husky now. My friend, thou'rt growing old.

Go take thy chair and place it by her side—
Full oft 't was thus when first she was thy bride.
Talk o'er the pleasant tale of other days
When warmest words were cold to speak her praise;
In memory tramp with her the journey through
Which was begun when thy old love was new;
The tasks achieved for thee, the burdens borne
Have dimmed her eye, her bonny locks have shorn;
Let thoughts like these betimes thy soul employ,
Kindling afresh a long-forgotten joy;
Then if thou canst still be to her unkind,
'T is proof undoubted of ignoble mind.

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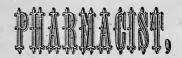
But tyrant rule, enforced by Choctaw brave
Befits not thee, thy wife is not thy slave.
He, who at home can play the despot's part,
Forfeits the love of a true woman's heart.
Thy soul's best tribute 's due to God above,
And next thy wife may claim thy warmest love;
She shares thy sorrows and should share thy joys,
Divided sympathies her peace destroys.

Let not thy voice in gambling haunts resound, Or drunkards' dens, where ribald jokes go round; In store or shop fling not thy time away Retailing gossip, or in wordy fray, While in her dimly lighted room she keeps Her ceaseless vigils, and mayhap she weeps That thou, who once with ardent steps didst glide Through paths oft trod, content when by her side, But now, the prize possessed, thy willing feet Oft bear thee where thy boon companions meet. Is she less worthy, loving thee alone, Than was the maid before the bride was won? Be true to her; thine eyes shall never see More steadfast friend, a safer guide than she. When side by side the voyage of life you sail And catch the adverse, or the prosperous gale, Assured though late, thou shalt descry the shore Where heaving billows rest, and storms are o'er, Your struggling bark, by varying tempests driven, Shall glide into the quiet port of Heaven.



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In courtship nothing is taken for granted. Both parties are put on their good behavior; love keeps itself fresh and active by constant expression in word and act; but strange to say, the courtship usually ends with mar-

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riage. Very soon both parties yield to the sense of possessien, and the feeling of security robs gallantry of motive and extracts the poetry from the mind. The beautiful attentions which were so pleasing before marriage are too often forgotten afterward; the gifts cease to come only with the asking; the music dies out of the voice; everything is taken for granted, and the love, which, like the silver jet of the fountain, leaped to heaven, denied its natural outlet, ceases to flow altogether. Then come dull, heavy, hard days, with two unhappinesses tied together, wishing themselves apart, and not always content with merely wishing.

This is unnatural, unwise, and wrong. What our married life wants, to give it new tone and sweetness, is more of the manner as well as the sweetness of courting time. Love must have expression or it will die. It can be kept forever beautiful and blessed as at the first, by giving it constant utterance in word and act. The more it is allowed to flow out, in delicate attentions, in noble service, as in by-gone days, the stronger and more satisfying, and more blessed it will be. The house becomes more like home only when love drops its heavenly manua in it, fresh every day, from hearts yet warm with love; and the true marriage vow is made not once for all at the altar, but by loving words, and helpful service, and delicate attentions to the end, so beautifully illustrated in the matrimonial experience of the Bishop of Chichester, and so eloquently expressed by his own almost inspired pen.

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"But hark! my pulse, like a soft drum Beats my approach, tells thee I come, And slow howe'er my marches be, I shall at last sit down by thee. The thought of this bids me go on And wait my dissolution, With hope and comfort. Dear, (forgive The crime,) I am content to live, Divided with but half a heart, "Till we shall meet and never part."





